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Via FOIAOnline.gov:

EPA Region 1 FOIA Office
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Re: Freedom of Information Act Request for Information Regarding Hall & Associates and EPA Region 1 Meeting Policy(ies)

To Whom This May Concern:

This is a request for a public records pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. Section 552, as implemented by the Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") at 40 C.F.R. Part 2. For purposes of this request, the definition of "records" includes, but is not limited to, documents, letters, memoranda, notes, reports, e-mail messages, policy statements, data, technical evaluations or analysis, and studies.

Request

This request seeks any and all records:

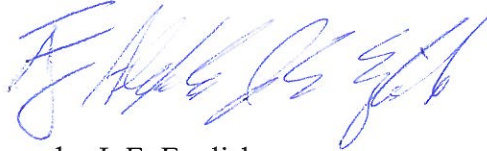
- (1) Discussing any approach to dealing with Hall & Associates (or any member of that firm), characterizing its interest or motives in any interaction with EPA Region 1 on behalf of its clients, or addressing its attendance at any EPA meeting where the issues raised for H&A's clients were to be discussed; and
- (2) Any policy, guidance, or operating procedures for EPA Region 1 regarding its willingness (or lack thereof) to meet with any party represented by counsel in the absence of the Region's counsel.

Importantly, this FOIA request explicitly **does not seek** records that (1) were sent, or otherwise transmitted, between EPA and Hall & Associates, (2) were filed with any administrative or judicial tribunal (*e.g.*, the District Court, the Environmental Hearing Board, etc.) or the FOIA online docket, or (3) merely describe or reiterate factual aspects of Hall & Associates' regulatory position on an issue (*e.g.*, "H&A claims . . .").

Please contact the undersigned if the associated search and duplication costs are anticipated to exceed \$250.00. Please organize the response in a manner which allows the undersigned to gauge which individual records correspond with which sub-requests. Please duplicate the records that are responsive to this request and send it to the undersigned at the above address. If the requested record is withheld based upon any asserted privilege, please identify the basis for the non-disclosure.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please do not hesitate to contact this office so as to ensure that only the necessary documents are duplicated.

Respectfully,



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